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Mr. Sutter graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Zoology in 1997 from the University of Rhode Island as a member of Phi Beta Kappa, and obtained a Masters Degree in Fisheries Biology from the University of Massachusetts in 1980. Mr. Sutter developed a broad background in fisheries assessments during 14 years as a research scientist, including research to initiate and implement fisheries acoustic surveys of coastal fishery resources in the Gulf of Mexico.

Mr. Sutter acts for and as Regional Administrator when the Regional Administrator is not available. In addition to this principal duty, he (through subordinate units): (a) collects, documents, and interprets scientific and economic data as technical support for management plans, international negotiations, fishery trade and industry services; (b) conducts regional programs in fishery management activities regarding fishery management plans, fishery trade and industry services, recreational fisheries, and other service areas throughout the range of fisheries programs; (c) provides support to the Regional Fishery Management Council(s) within the geographic area of responsibility; (d) provides technical review and monitoring of fisheries plans and grant programs; (e) interacts directly with federal, state and local officials, and with private citizens seeking to perform work in coastal waters and wetlands of the southeast region, and provides biological recommendations for (sequentially) avoiding, minimizing and offsetting adverse impacts to marine habitat, through services involving field inspections, meetings; public hearings and document reviews; and (f) provides advice and guidance for the conservation and protection of those marine mammals and endangered and threatened species under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of Commerce, and matters regarding the restoration of living marine resources and their habitat.